

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
Commercial Striped Bass Chesapeake Bay Individual Transferable Quota Season Modification —
Effective 12/1/2019

WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces modifications to the 2019 commercial striped bass Chesapeake Bay Individual Transferable Quota (ITQ) fishery seasons for hook and line, haul seines, and gill nets. This notice does not affect the rules for the 2020 commercial striped bass Chesapeake Bay Individual Transferable Quota fishery.

SEASON MODIFICATIONS

- The hook and line season is modified to allow for striped bass harvest using hook and line through and including December 31, 2019. Open harvest days remain Monday through Thursday.
- The haul seine season is modified to allow for striped bass harvest using haul seines through and including December 31, 2019. Open harvest days remain Monday through Friday.
- The gill net season is modified to allow for striped bass harvest with gill nets on Saturdays and Sundays through and including December 29, 2019.

PURPOSE OF THIS ACTION

The purpose of this action is to allow commercial striped bass permit holders in the ITQ fishery the ability to fully harvest their assigned quota.

WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS

This action applies to all commercial striped bass permittees in the Chesapeake Bay Individual Transferrable Quota fishery.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This notice is effective at 12:01 a.m. December 1, 2019.

AUTHORITY

Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.15.12H

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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